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## BATTLE WITH VILLA SEEMS PROBABLE IN NEAR FUTURE

Three Columns of Americans Close In Upon Bandit Who Has Been Defeated in Fight With Carranza Troops At Nomiuisa

### OUTLAW GENERAL FALLS BACK TOWARD PERSHING

Request of Washington Government For Permission To Use Mexican National Railroads Calls Forth Protocol Terms

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
WASHINGTON, March 21.—The big fight between Villa and the pursuing American Cavalry is expected to come within the next twenty-four hours, according to despatches from San Antonio received at the war department last night. Nobody appears to know exactly when the bandit and his men will stand, and reports of his whereabouts are most conflicting and misleading, but General Funston's headquarters appears confident that the battle is not far off.

General Funston last night issued a statement telling the approximate positions of the three columns. The first is moving south from Casas Grandes towards Rabinera. The second is moving south toward El Valle and the third toward Carmen.

**Villa Driven Toward Americans**  
Villa, says one of the many reports concerning his whereabouts, has been defeated by Colonel Cano, with a column of Carranza troops and is now moving north toward El Valle. If this is true he is running right into the jaws of the chasing American soldiers.

Other despatches give a few more details regarding the fight between Villa and Cano. According to these the forces commanded by Cano engaged the Villistas at Nomiuisa. For several hours the result of the battle was undecided, but finally Villa drew off his men and started northward. The fight is said to have taken place last Saturday. The Carranzista forces numbered less than a thousand men.

**Carranza Submits Protocol**  
Following the request of the federal government here to be permitted to make use of the Mexican National railroads for transporting troops, the de facto government of Mexico yesterday submitted the terms of a protocol with the United States governing situations which may arise in connection with the pursuit of Villa by the American army and the Mexicans under the Carranza commanders. In this manner it is hoped to avoid any misunderstandings which might lead to disagreements and possible trouble.

Both governments, it is said here, have agreed to the general principles involved, and there is apparently little doubt that the matter will be settled definitely some time today or tomorrow.

**Barred From Mexican Towns**  
General Carranza has lodged formal protest with the state department against the American troops occupying the town of Casas Grandes. General Pershing has been ordered by the war department, through General Funston, not to occupy any Mexican towns.

Carranza has also requested the United States to give him complete information as to exactly what Secretary of War Baker desires in connection with the use of Mexican railroads by United States forces. The information will be furnished him.

It is understood here that General Carranza's government has offered to send a body of troops northward in the hope of forming a trap into which Villa will poke his head.

**Six Airships With Pershing**  
The despatches from the Texas border say that the aviation corps now has six aeroplanes with the columns commanded by General Pershing, and

## BULGARS ANGERED, SEEKING TO SLAY PRIME MINISTER

Determined Attempt Made To Shoot Down Man Blamed For War

### RADOSLAVOFF ESCAPES: HIS COACHMAN WOUNDED

Agitation Against King Ferdinand and Premier Is Reported Growing Fast

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
PARIS, March 21.—The increasing resentment in Bulgaria against the government, due to the entry of Bulgaria into the war without the general public appreciating what the move might mean, brought about a determined attempt yesterday to assassinate Premier Radoslavoff, according to a despatch received last night from Bucharest.

**Premier Escapes**  
The Bulgarian premier was returning to his home from his office in an open carriage, when an employee of the post office, named Ivanoff, ran out from the sidewalk and opened fire, shooting twice before he could be seized. One of the bullets struck and wounded the coachman, but Radoslavoff escaped.

Private telegrams from Bucharest and Athens state that the situation in Bulgaria is critical. There is agitation against both King Ferdinand and the premier, the population is alarmed at the shortage of food and the impossibility of killing the soil, and demonstrations of women are reported in several towns.

According to these telegrams, troops sent to quell the disturbances have refused to act and have threatened their officers.

### Army Nearing Revolt

Bulgarian refugees who have reached Bucharest declare that Bulgaria is finding it impossible to continue the war. The Bulgarian army, they say, would be in a most critical situation if forced to meet a long offensive.

Leaflets announcing that Russia, France, Italy and England will take the offensive against Bulgaria this month and that Roumania and Greece will march with the Entente with the object of dividing, crushing and enslaving Bulgaria, are being distributed among the people.

### JAPANESE PASTOR IS SHOT

(Special Cablegram to Nippon Jiji.)

SAN FRANCISCO, March 20.—Rev. T. Kawata, pastor of the Santa Barbara Japanese church, was murdered this morning by Asano Harashima, in that city. Harashima had been holding an argument with another Japanese, and the Japanese minister opposed Harashima's stand in the matter. The latter then shot and instantly killed the pastor. Harashima later committed suicide. Rev. Kawata was well known among Japanese, being a nephew of T. Tokotomi, one of the leading journalists of Japan.

that the machines are doing good work scouting the mountainous country in manner that would be impossible for Cavalry, no matter how familiar it might be with the country.

General Pershing's headquarters is believed to be in the neighborhood of Casas Grandes, but the censorship has cut off all reference to this in despatches.

General Gaviro, the Carranza commander at Juarez, says that Villa, after striking south toward the mountainous country, doubled east and then rode south again in the direction of Nomiuisa.

**Carranzistas At Juarez**  
The Carranza troops which were stationed at Casas Grandes when General Pershing started south at the head of the main invading column are now at Juarez.

It is rumored that a detachment of Carranzistas might have blocked Villa in his flight to the south, but allowed him to pass. The story is that after Villa raided Columbus and then hurried south, he approached a detachment of Carranza men. He sent a message that he is not making war against Mexico, whereupon he was allowed to proceed.

WHERE VILLA FLED FROM COLUMBUS—Map of Border Country in Which American Troops Are Operating. General Pershing's Headquarters Is Reported To Be At Casas Grandes, While Villa Is Thought To Be In Neighborhood of Nomiuisa, Some Miles To South



LINE OF VILLA'S RETREAT RAILROADS SCALE OF MILES

0 20 40 60 80 100 120 140 160 180 200

## WILSON TO SIGN PHILIPPINE BILL

Tells Democratic Leaders He Does Not Approve Certain Features of Measure

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
WASHINGTON, March 21.—President Wilson settled all doubts as to his attitude towards the Philippines Bill, now before a conference committee, in a statement made yesterday to Democratic leaders. It had been reported that the President would veto the measure if it came to him as altered by the Clarke Amendment, which sets a definite date for the withdrawal of American sovereignty in the islands. The President announced that he would sign the bill, even with the Clarke Amendment, although he was not in agreement with some of the features of the legislation as it now stands.

## GALVESTON HEARS PEACE IN SIGHT

Cable From London Reports Bright Prospects For Speedy End of War

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
GALVESTON, March 20.—"Immediate peace is in sight" is one significant sentence from an even more significant cablegram received here today from a big shipping firm in London. The cable, because of the very bright prospects for an early peace among the nations of Europe, cancelled its arrangements here for chartering a very considerable tonnage, and released the ships.

## NEW YORK HAS NO CONFIRMATION OF NEWS

NEW YORK, March 20.—Brokers here handling marine risks say they have had no intimation of the cancelling of ship charters reported from Galveston.

## WHEELING SENT SOUTH

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
WASHINGTON, March 21.—The gunboat Wheeling, now at New Orleans, has been ordered to southern waters, it being understood that her destination is Tampico. The battleship Kentucky, now at Vera Cruz, will be sent to Galveston, the need of her presence in the Mexican port having passed.

## AIR SQUADRONS MEET IN BATTLE OVER MULHAUSEN

Twenty-three Aeroplanes Sent By Allies Fight Twenty-seven Germans

### RAIN BOMBS DOWN AS FIERCE CONFLICT RAGES

Teuton Anti-Aircraft Guns Fear To Hit Own Men; Silenced

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
BASEL, Switzerland, March 21.—The greatest aerial battle of the war was that fought out high in the air over the Alsatian city of Mulhausen on Sunday, according to the reports of eyewitnesses, who have reached here. The Allies had sent a raiding squadron of twenty-three machines over the German lines, to meet which the Germans had twenty-seven aeroplanes of various types in action.

### Battle Above City

These fifty air fighters fought and maneuvered directly over the city, the battle cloud sweeping back and forth within easy range of the German anti-aircraft guns, but with the German and French machines so confused in the general fighting that the gunners had to cease firing for fear they would hit some of their own air craft.

The French carried on a double battle, engaging the German machines as they approached and at the same time showering bombs upon the military positions below whenever the conflict carried them within bombing range.

### Some Battle Plans

One French machine rammed a German battle plane, the latter falling in flames. Eight machines in all were put out of action, five of these being German and three French. In every event all the occupants of the fallen machines were killed.

### BELGIAN BASE RAIDED BY BRITISH FLIERS

LONDON, March 20.—Sixty-five Allied aeroplanes have made a successful bombardment of Zeebrugge, the German submarine and supply base on the Belgian coast. The German aeroplane station nearby was one of the main points of attack. The British communication asserts that damage was done by the raiding machines, all of which returned safely to their stations.

### 'BIGGER ARMY' BILLS DIE IN LOWER HOUSE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
WASHINGTON, March 20.—Two "bigger army" bills were blocked in the lower house today after some interesting interchanges and lively discussion.

Representative Julius Kahn's proposal to put the regular army up to 250,000 men, an increase of 80,000 over the number proposed in the administration bill, was lost by a vote of 183 to 108. Then followed another proposal, outdoing the Kahn amendment, to make the regular army 250,000. This was lost without a roll-call, the vote being overwhelmingly against it.

### REPORTS DESTROYER SUNK

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
VIENNA, March 21.—An official report of the admiralty announces the sinking by an Austrian submarine of a French destroyer of the Pourche type, which sank within a minute of being struck. The destroyer was not positively identified, but it believed to have been the Renaudin.

The loss of the Renaudin was officially admitted by the French minister of marine on Sunday.

The British blockade searchers. He spent his days in the trunk, coming out at night to stretch his limbs and secure his meals. A ventilator concealed in the end of the trunk permitted him to breathe fresh air.

Mrs. Roewer arrived safely at Copenhagen on Sunday. Her trunk was empty.

The report of the seizure of Captain Roewer by the British at Kirkwall is as given in the Danish papers.

## BATTLE UPON VERDUN LINE RENEWED AND RAGES HOTLY

Series of Fierce Teutonic Attacks Launched Against French North of Great Central Fortress That Guards Path to Paris

### GERMANS ARE REPORTED TO HAVE LOST HEAVILY

Unable To Hold Ground Won By Use of Liquid Fire They Fall Under Rain of Shot From the Gallic Machine-Gun Batteries

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
LONDON, March 21.—A resumption of the fighting north of Verdun yesterday brought on a heavy battle along the line from Avoourt north-east of Verdun, to Melancourt, west of the central fortress. The action was a series of attacks by the German infantry, with repeated French counter attacks, both sides losing heavily and the general results being that each retains its original positions.

### Attack Proves Costly

The French reports state that the Germans launched a fierce attack on this front against the French positions at Cote de Poivre, being repulsed with the loss of many of their best line men.

The Germans began their attack with the use of liquid fire, their sprayers driving the French from their first line trenches. When the Germans advanced to occupy these trenches, however, the French brought into action an overwhelming machine gun strength, the German lines being cut up numerically, their losses being very heavy.

### Germans Hold Ground

Only at one point, near Melancourt, were the Germans able to occupy and hold the French positions from which the fire sprayers had driven them defenseless. In this fighting the Germans used a fresh division of troops, brought up to relieve those who have been taking part in the attempted capture of Verdun.

Berlin despatches state that the French attempted a counter attack against the German lines before Vaux, northeast of Verdun. This attack was repulsed.

On the eastern front there has been a severe engagement on the northern Russian front, with the Slavs taking the offensive. This battle is reported as being a bloody one, without material advantage as yet to either side. The Russian offensive is being maintained.

### Fighting Gallia

There has also been a Russian offensive carried out on the Galliean front, the Russians attacking and capturing a series of Austrian trenches east of the village of Mikhalche.

The next development in the war may be a big and important battle on that portion of the Balkan front which lies along the north border of Greece.

Renewed activity in the region north of Salonika is reported. Nothing of mention has happened here for several weeks, but it is now reported that a French column has advanced from the entrenched camps between Salonika and the border where the Teutonic and Bulgarian forces had entered. The information comes by way of Salonika.

### COLONEL GLASSFORD SENT TO AVIATION SCHOOL

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
WASHINGTON, March 20.—Col. William A. Glassford, Signal Corps, now at San Francisco, has received orders to take charge of the United States aviation school at San Diego. Officials of the war department say that the transfer has no connection with the alleged scandalous conditions at the school, about which there have been charges and an investigation. They say the idea is to put a ranking officer in charge and that Capt. A. S. Cowan will remain at the school.